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IN WHOSE PAY?

Is Candidate William J. Bryan a
Hired Man?

THURSTON'S REPLY TO STEWART

He Gives Democratic Authority for
His Recent Statement

THAT BRYAN WAS ON A SALARY

Contributed by Millionaire Silver Mine
Owners to Work Up the Sentiment for
Free Silver—The Chicago Chronicle and
other papers quoted—Bryan's salary
\$6,000 per year and contributed from
bonanza headquarters at Denver—Senator
Thurston's scathing letter to Bonanza
King Stewart.

OMAHA, Neb., Aug. 16.—Senator John
M. Thurston to-day handed to the Asso-
ciated Press for publication the follow-
ing copy of a letter which he mailed to
Senator Stewart, of Nevada:

To Hon. William Stewart, editor of the
Silver Knight, Washington, D. C.
SIR:—On return from my recent cam-
paign tour I find your open letter of Au-
gust 1, which you so kindly gave to the
press of the country before awaiting its
receipt by me.

In your letter you refer to the address
delivered by me at the Chautauque As-
sembly at Madison, Wis., on July 31.
You must have known when you penned
your letter that I did not make any
charge against Hon. William J. Bryan
of any kind whatever; that I did nothing
except to read portions of an editorial
published in the Chicago Chronicle on
the 11th of last July. The editorial as
read by me is as follows:

"There was a time when the owners of
the big bonanzas of the far west were
glad to occupy by purchase, seats in the
United States senate.
"Sharon, Stanford, Fair, Jones, Stewart
and others gratified their fancy in this
manner until the novelty wore off, and
then they deputized attorneys and
other employees to take their places, and
vote for protective tariffs and free sil-
ver."

Of late years, owing to the encourage-
ment that they have received from the
Republican party, "which always does
something for silver," when it passes a
tariff bill, the proprietors of the big
bonanzas have found it profitable to keep
a large number of orators, lecturers and
other spokesmen on the road, preaching to
the people, already limping as a result
of bites by the free silver cur, the
cavalier remedy of applying the hair
of the dog to the wound.

"Among the many who have been thus
employed and carried on the payrolls of
the big bonanzas for a number of years,
a William J. Bryan, of Nebraska. The
paid agent and spokesman for the free
silver combine has not since retirement
from Congress had any other visible
means of support."

I did not directly or indirectly even ex-
press an opinion as to the truth or falsity
of the charge thus clearly, explicitly,
unequivocally and editorially set forth
by a great Democratic newspaper, repu-
table and responsible.

Will He Say It?

I did say, and I still say, that the man
posing as an advocate of downtrodden
masses of his countrymen, holding a
crown of thorns in one hand and the
buzsaw, a cross of gold, in the other,
owes it as a duty to every man, woman
and child in this country, to say whether
that charge, thus publicly and delibera-
tely made, is fact or true.

Now, my dear senator, you must have
known, and you did know, when you in-
dited your open letter to me, that the
charge was not mine; no, not even by
adoption; that I had not even expressed
an opinion with respect to it, and that I
no more fulfilled my duty as a citi-
zen in insisting that Mr. Bryan should
tell the American people whether or not
the charge made by the Chicago Chroni-
cle was true. One word from Mr. Bryan
on the 12th day of last July would have
set the public right; one word from him
on any day since that time would have
accomplished the same purpose.

The charge thus editorially made by the
Chicago Chronicle, while the Chicago con-
vention was still in session, was repro-
duced in many of the leading journals
in the country; it came to the attention
of Mr. Bryan's own paper, the Omaha
World-Herald, of which he was at the
time managing editor, and the only re-
ference ever made to it in that paper
was on the 15th day of July, when in its
editorial column appeared the following:

"The Chicago Chronicle wants Mr.
Bryan to explain in whose pay he has
been since he dropped out of Congress."
—Sinox City Journal.

"Mr. Bryan did not drop out of Con-
gress—he stepped out—but he has been
in the employ of the World-Herald and
it is generally conceded that he has fully
earned his salary."

Mr. Thurston, after making the above
quotations, says that Mr. Bryan was
asked August 1, to make an answer to
the Chronicle's charge.

"But," adds he, "Mr. Bryan had nothing
to say except that he would answer in
due time and manner."

Another Charge.

Mr. Thurston then makes the statement
that the Chicago Post, of recent date,
had said "that Mr. Bryan's stated
salary from the silver mine owners, and
the silver league, was \$6,000 per annum."

"Continuing, the writer quotes from the
Philadelphia Ledger of recent issue as follows:

"Those familiar with Mr. Bryan's
political career are aware that contribu-
tions from silver miners to the expense
of his lectures began before his general
stumping tour of the country two years
ago."

The Ledger goes on to say that in his
campaign in 1892 for re-election to Con-
gress "he (Bryan) was materially assist-
ed in the expenses of the campaign by
donations from Denver."

"Referring to Mr. Bryan's campaign in
1891, when he ran for United States sen-
ator, the Ledger is again quoted:

"During his so-called lecturing tour
there is no reason to doubt that silver
mine owners were not the most
strongly and personally interested in
free coinage. There never has been any
doubt out west that Mr. Bryan was
employed at a fixed compensation to preach
the gospel of free coinage and the funds
from which this compensation came were
in very large degree derived from the
silver owners."

Mr. Thurston, continuing, says he
would be the last man in the world to
recall the character of Mr. Bryan, and
add:

"It is not just to the American people
that charges of this kind should go un-
answered. He is the man and the only
man who can make definite and conclu-
sive reply." He suggests that Senator
Bryan "turn his batteries upon those
reputable editors and newspapers mak-
ing the charges," and states his surprise
at Senator Stewart and his "fellow mine
owners" remaining silent and not pub-
licly answering the Chronicle's charges.

Senator Thurston mentions Stewart's
statement that contributions for the cir-
culation of silver literature have been

IN GOOD SHAPE.

Hanna is Pleased with the Repub-
lican Situation.

A DAY SPENT WITH M'KINLEY.

The Major will Not Make a Stumping
Tour—Report that He would be at Mil-
waukee Not True—Bryan Makes Some
Changes in His Itinerary—Will Speak in
Baltimore—Spent a Quiet Sunday—He
Denies All Newspaper Reports.

EVERY MAN INJURED.

Terrible Trolley Accident—Run Into by a
Fire Truck.

CLEVELAND, O., Aug. 16.—Early
this morning, fire truck No. 6, with a
crew consisting of Lieut. Hadden and
seven firemen, while responding to an
alarm, collided with a trolley car at
the corner of Woltz avenue and Sycamore
street. The truck was stretched across
the street car tracks when the trolley,
which was running at full speed, struck
it. Every fireman on the truck was injured.

John F. Clark was pinned under the
wreck and crushed to death, his lungs
being perforated by the rung of a lad-
dor. Fred Jacky went under the truck
and received a concussion of the spine.
He cannot recover. The other injuries are:
Lieut. Hadden, hip bruised; Mil-
lison, left leg sprained and
contusions; John W. Brechtel,
knee sprained; Nicholas Noeller, hip
bruised; Anthony Manhard, bruised.

The motor car was smashed to pieces
but the motorman escaped with but slight
injuries.

FOUR WERE KILLED

And Several Injured in the Wreck on the
B. & O. S. W. Saturday Morning.

TORCH, O., Aug. 16.—At 3:15 o'clock
Saturday morning, one of the worst
wrecks in the history of the road occurred
on the Baltimore & Ohio Southwest-
ern road, three-fourths of a mile east of
here, and ten miles west of Parkersburg.

The west-bound New York and St. Louis
express No. 1, crashed into freight
train No. 89, while both were running at
a high rate of speed.

The crash was terrific and the en-
gines and several cars were wrecked.
Four men were killed and two fatally
and several badly injured.

The St. Louis express was in charge
of Conductor Pat McGinty and was
drawn by engine 132, with Fred Rump
at the throttle.

The train was thirty minutes late in
leaving Parkersburg and was running
at a high rate of speed, when, on a short
curve and in a cut about twenty-five feet
deep, near Torch, O., she met the east-
bound fast freight, No. 89, in charge of
Conductor Blitzer, and drawn by engine
215, with Engineer Johnson at the throt-
tle.

What happened no one will ever tell,
but when the shock of the terrible crash
was over and the shrieking steam from
the two demolished engines had subsided,
it was found that at least four lives
had gone out in a flash and that two
other persons were so badly injured that
death was probably only a matter of
hours.

Both engines were so badly smashed
up that they have no semblance of their
former selves. The postal car of No. 1
had the front end smashed in and was
otherwise badly wrecked.

The cause of the wreck was probably
a misunderstanding of orders, No. 1 be-
lieving that it was to pass the freight
train, having twenty-five minutes of her time
to run on. The freight should have taken
the siding three-fourths of a mile
from the scene of the wreck, at Torch,
but instead of this it attempted to reach
Little Hocking.

The Dead.

Engineer Fred Rump, of Chillicothe.
Engineer William Johnson, of Chillicothe.
Fireman Frank Hoffman, of Chillicothe.

Unknown fireman who was riding on
engine 132.

Fatally injured—Benjamin Grant Over-
myer, of Chillicothe; cut and scalded by
escaping steam. Fireman George
Thompson; cut and scalded by escaping
steam.

The Injured—Mail Clerk J. W. Orman,
of Loveland; cut on arms and badly
bruised. —Rothschild, of Cincinnati;
cut with glass from window. Unknown
infant, asleep on seat, thrown violently
to the floor. Hon. C. H. Grosvenor, of
Athens, O.; cut and bruised about the
head. —Jones, of Athens, O.; bruised
badly about the head. Unknown lady
of Cincinnati; knee badly sprained and
hand cut.

No Truth in It.

LONDON, August 16.—The Associated
Press has made inquiries of Mr. Joseph
Chamberlain, secretary of state for
the colonies, relative to the assertion
recently made in the Weekly Sun
that President Paul Kruger, of the
Transvaal republic, had concluded a
treaty with a European power con-
trary to the convention of 1884, and
that Great Britain had asked for ex-
planations. In answer to these in-
quiries, Mr. Chamberlain wires the follow-
ing:

"The colonial office attaches no im-
portance to the report. It is believed
that all treaties will be submitted to
us according to agreement."

War Against Our Oil.

BERLIN, Aug. 16.—As a result of the
agitation in newspapers, circles and
among business men growing out of the
independent oil firms with the
Standard Oil Company, and the re-
port that the American company now
controls the petroleum market, it is
now announced that it is possible that
the government will take steps to fa-
cilitate the importation of Galician oil.
It is also rumored that an attempt will
be made to impose an almost prohibi-
tive duty on American oil.

Is Vest to be Pulled Down?

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Aug. 16.—A
special to the Journal from Jefferson
City, Mo., after saying that "in the
event of Mr. Bryan's election, Governor
William J. Stone will be asked to sit in
the cabinet as secretary of the interior,"
continues: "It is stated, however, that
Governor Stone's aspirations for a seat
in the senate to succeed the Hon. George
F. Vest, are to be fostered and work in
his interest in this connection has al-
ready begun."

The Grain Movement.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Aug. 16.—Yester-
day was the monthly pay day of the
Santa Fe railway and the local distribu-
tion of checks was the greatest it has
been in more than three years, 840 em-
ployees received an aggregate of nearly
\$50,000. This increase in the pay roll was
the result of the heavy grain and stock
movement last month. Nearly every
employee on the road with the exception
of office men, drew extra time.

Want Wages Restored.

OMAHA, Neb., Aug. 16.—Railway tele-
graphers have filed a case in the federal
court here to test the right of the receivers
of the non Pacific railway to reduce
the fixed scale of wages of employees.
The fixed scale was brought to the receivers
to restore wages to the fixed schedule
in effect in 1894, when Judge Campbell
ordered that no cut in wages should be
made except on order of the court.

GOVERNOR STONE

May Accept the Chairmanship Refused by
Senator Gorman.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Aug. 16.—A special
to the Journal from Washington, says:
"Now it has been accepted that Senator
Gorman will not accept the chair-
manship of the Democratic national ex-
ecutive committee, the preference of the
leaders seem to be for Governor Stone,
Mr. Bryan, too, is said to favor the Mis-
souri executive."

Governor Stone, who recently talked with
Governor Jones about his prospects of
being named as chief adviser to Chair-
man Jones, says that the governor gave
him the impression that he was seri-
ously considering the acceptance of the
place. According to this gentleman,

Governor Stone said: "Of course, if I
accepted, I would have to resign the gov-
ernorship."

To Receive Bryan.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., Aug. 16.—A
committee of the citizens of Red Hook
village, Upper Red Hook and the nearby
villages of Madalyn, Tivoli, Anandale
and Hartsyrtown, are arranging a recep-
tion to Mr. and Mrs. Bryan to-morrow
evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs.
Edward C. Perrine, whose guests the
nominee and his wife are to be for the
next week or ten days. Mr. Perrine is a
Republican. The candidate and his
wife, it is expected, will reach Red Hook
on an afternoon train and the reception
will be tendered in the evening.

Resolving in a Deal.

KANSAS CITY, Aug. 16.—A special to
the Times from Wichita, Kas., says:
Populist ex-Governor Llewelling, who
was recently beaten by John W. Leedy
on his race for the gubernatorial nomina-
tion, is being boomed for the race for the
United States senatorship. There ap-
pears to have been an agreement entered
into at Abilene, whereby Leedy was to
throw his support to Llewelling for the
United States senate in consideration of
a boost from the latter, and this agree-
ment is the basis on which Llewelling
will make his fight.

Gold Democrats.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Aug. 16.—The
National Gold Standard Democratic ex-
ecutive committee has selected parlor 12,
Grand Hotel, this city, for the head-
quarters for the national committee at
the approaching national convention to
be held in this city September 2.

Both Claim It.

CINCINNATI, Aug. 16.—Commercial-
Tribune specials from Danville and from
London, Ky., say both White and Colson
are claiming the Republican congress-
ional nomination for Congress in the
Eleventh district by about equal majorities.

A BUNGLING BURGULAR'S CLUE.

Asked the Merchant if He Had Been
Robbed—Six Arrests Follow.

UNIONTOWN, Pa., August 16.—A
band of six alleged robbers have been
brought to jail from near Vanderbilt.
They are charged with various crimes,
and it is said that they have been in
operation in that locality for four
months. They are Joseph Russell,
Henry Grim, John Daugherty, William
Bromson, Samuel Wingrove and J. J.
Brady. The case against them was
worked up by William T. Russell, a
farmer who lives near there. Numerous
robberies have been committed, but no
clue could be found as to who the per-
petrators were. The first robbery of
any note was committed three weeks
ago, when the store of the Dawson
Supply Company was broken into and
about \$3,000 worth of goods taken. Dilig-
ent search failed to unearth a clue.
On the night of August 1 the store of
Thomas Wilson, near Perryopolis, was
burglarized and \$50 worth of goods
taken. Mr. Watson kept the fact of the
robbery a profound secret.

After a week had passed Brady went
to his store and said: "Mr. Watson, I
understand your store was robbed." Mr.
Watson denied it, as a ruse, and
asked Brady how he knew it. Brady
responded that he had read it in the
papers. Watson said no more to Brady,
after securing his name and place of
residence. Brady offered to divulge the
names of the robbers for \$50. Mr. Rus-
sell was told the story and he began
an investigation. He went to Dawson,
found Brady and secured the names of
the robbers.

Warrants were then sworn out for the
six men, including Brady. Officer
Emmie Reed Wingrove at his home.
Wingrove fled, and in the pursuit the
officer shot him in the back. Daugherty
was captured at Exeter, to which
place he moved recently. Two sacks
full of stolen goods were captured at
his house. They were all taken to the
lockup at Dawson and a guard placed
over them.

SHOT BY A ROBBER.

A Noted South Carolinian Murdered at
His Home.

SPARTANBURG, S. C., August 16.—
Captain John H. Blasingame, one of
the oldest and most respected citizens
of this city and state, was shot and
killed this afternoon by Chris Cannon,
a negro boy. Captain Blasingame was
alone at his sister's home and Cannon
entered the house for the purpose of
robbery. Pistol shots were heard and
the negro was seen running from the
house. Captain Blasingame was found
dead, shot twice through the heart.
The negro was tracked to a house half
a mile distant, where he was found
shot through the chest.

Two empty pistols found in the room
indicated that both parties engaged in
the shooting. The negro was taken to
jail. His wound is not thought to be
fatal. There is some talk of lynching,
but the law will take its course. Cap-
tain Blasingame was a member of one
of the most prominent families in the
state, and a man respected and hon-
ored by all. He was a gallant Confed-
erate soldier, and before the war was a
colonel in the United States army.

THE EYSTER TRAGEDY.

Evidence that He Was Drugged for the
Purpose of Robbery.

LINCOLN, Neb., Aug. 16.—Doctors
performed an autopsy on the body of
Hon. W. F. Eyster, of Chambersburg,
Pa., who was found dying Friday night
from the effects of foul play. They are
convinced that morphine poisoning caused
death, although there was contusion
on the scalp that might have been
fatal. There is not the least doubt that
Eyster was robbed and his little ques-
tioned was that he was first fatally drugged
for that purpose.

It is not believed that murder was in-
tended. Cliff Hagey, who was around
with Eyster during the afternoon of Fri-
day, was arrested at Valparaiso on sus-
picion and brought back to Lincoln.

Caused by Whisky.

WAGONER, I. T., Aug. 16.—Two men
were shot and killed and another
mortally wounded at the annual con-
vention of the National party in the
Cherokee nation, ten miles north of
Talequah yesterday. The killed are Eli
Wofford, chief of police of Talequah,
and Charley Proctor, a deputy sheriff.
Leonard Williams, sheriff, was wound-
ed fatally. It is also stated that Fan
Wofford was fatally wounded. The
row originated over whisky. The re-
port has it that Eli Wofford shot Wil-
liams, who returned the fire, killing
Wofford immediately and that Fan
Wofford then killed Proctor.

Drinking Caused It.

CINCINNATI, Aug. 16.—A special to
the Commercial Tribune from Bedford,
Ind., says: A report just received
states that Reed Station, five miles
north of here, was the scene of riot
and butchery to-day. Dan Cline shot
and killed Chris Lentz. Max Lentz
was fatally injured. Herbert McDowell
was dangerously cut. The sheriff
has gone to make arrests. The trouble
seems to have been caused by drink-
ing.

Murder and Suicide.

NEW YORK, August 16.—Alola Dink-
lemaier, aged fifty, shot and killed his
wife and then committed suicide early
this morning at his home in this city.
Dinklemaier was once in good financial
condition, but it is alleged that the
treachery of business associates
wrecked him. His wife had to convert
their home into a boarding house.
These misfortunes caused him to lose
interest in life and murder and suicide
followed.

Editor Killed.

WINSTON, N. C., August 16.—Cap-
tain J. W. Goelen, editor of the Win-
ston Republican, in stepping off a street
car this afternoon fell and his head
struck the macadamized pavement,
producing concussion of the brain and
causing death in two hours after the
accident. Deceased was fifty-five years
old. He was a gallant soldier during
the war and was promoted to captain
of his company.

Accident's Horrible Death.

QUINCY, Ill., Aug. 16.—R. Frank Ja-
cobs, traveling with a circus, met with
a horrible death here to-day in the pre-
sence of his wife and young child and
an assembled throng. He was having
a balloon race with Prof. Dudley at
Baldwin park when his balloon burst
200 feet from the ground. His para-
chute failed to open and he was dashed
to the ground, breaking almost every
bone in his body. The same balloon
burst Friday night, and he then had a
narrow escape from death.

Big Mortgage Foreclosure.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 16.—The Farm-
ers' Loan and Trust Company, of New
York, has filed a suit in the United
States circuit court to foreclose a
mortgage executed in their favor in
1891 by the Oregon Improvement Com-
pany. The litigation arose over a
mortgage for \$15,000,000 issued in 1890
and given to the Farmers' Loan and
Trust Company as a guarantee for the
redemption of bonds for a like amount
indorsed by the company.

BUTCHER WEYLER

Denounced for Cause by One of
His Spanish Generals.

DEATH OF LIEUTENANT OCHANDO

He Was Ordered by Weyler to Commit
Suicide or He Would be Shot for Treason—His Uncle, on Learning of the Mat-
ter, Calls the Captain General to Ac-
count—A Sensational Affair, the End of
Which Is Not Yet.

KEY WEST, Aug. 16.—Captain General

Weyler and General Ochando were
the principals in a sensational affair
which occurred shortly before the latter
sailed for Spain. The death of General
Ochando's nephew, who was a Lieuten-
ant in the Spanish army was the cause
of the trouble.

There were ugly rumors in circulation
reflecting on the young lieutenant, who
was accused of conducting a treason-
able correspondence with Maximo Gome-
z, the insurgent chief. When Weyler
heard of the rumors he summoned the
young man to the palace and questioned
him. Weyler was apparently satisfied
of the young man's guilt and told him
that if he did not commit suicide in
twenty-four hours he would be court-
martialled and shot.

The lieutenant left the palace, went to
his room, and in six hours was a corpse,
having shot himself through the heart.
The affair was hushed up and the Span-
ish official report said the young man
died of yellow fever.

Shortly afterwards General Ochando
arrived in Havana and learned the
true story of his nephew's death. He
was greatly enraged. He immediately
went to the palace to call Weyler to ac-
count. The meeting of the general and
denounced Weyler, the bitterest
terms, alleging that the lieutenant
was guiltless and had been driven to
his death. Ochando termed Weyler a
murderer and butcher and challenged
him to a duel. The men drew swords
and would have fought in the palace,
but for the interruption of other offi-
cials.

Two days later General Ochando
sailed for Spain. He is greatly en-
raged and says he will make the affair
public when he reaches Spain and de-
mand Weyler's recall.

REFUSED A CARGO.

An American Steamer Discriminated
Against by Butcher Weyler.

BALTIMORE, Md., August 16.—The
American steamer Brixham, which
sailed from Baltimore for Cuba to load
bananas and return here, has been de-
nied a cargo by General Weyler's or-
ders. The Brixham arrived in New
York Friday in ballast, returned to her
owners, Dumois & Co., empty-handed
and without freight. She has been run-
ning regularly between Cuba and Bal-
timore this spring, bringing here full
cargoes of bananas for the Monumental
Fruit Company, Pratt and South
streets. The Brixham was here last on
August 1.

Capital Durlie then reported that the
Spanish authorities, in their eagerness
to catch filibusters, had detained his
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